

# MVTR Adventure Bike Rally Difficulty



## Important Information

### Tires

50:50 tires should be considered a minimum for rides. All of our routes have extensive off-pavement sections and riding street-oriented tires just puts the rest of the group at risk of unfortunate delays. **Anything above level II should not be attempted without proper knobbies.**

### Physical Fitness

Physical Fitness plays a significant role in adventure riding. Rides take up to 8 hours and can have sustained levels of difficulty. If you find yourself on a route that challenges your skills, we are never far from any exit route. Weather can also play a significant role in the difficulty of a route.

## Difficulty Levels

Consider that the difficulty of a route is not just about the terrain, but also the weather, the group, and your own skill level. The difficulty level is a guide to help you choose an adventure that is appropriate for your skills and abilities. If you are unsure, ask a ride leader for advice. The routes are laid out with an *choose your own adventure* style in mind. The guided groups will roughly follow one of the levels (you always have the option of skipping Hero sections, even in the guided groups).

| Level | Description  |
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| I     | Rough paved roads with broken bits, potholes, and mud. Well maintained gravel roads.   |
| II    | Rough resource roads. Smooth double track. Small and infrequent trail obstacles. Patches of soft gravel, shallow sand, or small surface mud. All hills are gentle. <b>OFF-ROAD EXPERIENCE RECOMMENDED</b>  |
| III   | Doubletrack with routine modest features such as roots, rocks, and soft patches. Some steep hills, but short in duration. <b>OFF-ROAD EXPERIENCE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED</b>  |
| IV    | All the above & Doubletrack with routine features such as roots, ledges, rocks, and soft patches. Singletrack with infrequent obstacles. Elevation changes and mud are common. <b>OFF-ROAD EXPERIENCE REQUIRED</b>   |
| V     | All the above & Single and double track with frequent and potentially sizable features such as roots, ledges, rocks, and soft patches. Some obstacles require commitment and don't have easy by-passes. Steep hills can be sustained and may have unforgiving transitions. Corners may be tight and unforgiving. Mud holes and water crossings. <b>ADVANCED OFF-ROAD EXPERIENCE REQUIRED</b> |
| VI    | All the above & Challenging for dirt bikers, so yeah, it's really tough for anything bigger. Make sure you can ride a few Level V routes before trying a Level VI. <b>YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING AND YOU'RE ASKING FOR IT</b>  |